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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Michael E. Brown et al.  
Serial No.: 09/961,218  
Date Filed: September 21, 2001  
Group Art Unit: 2145  
Confirmation No.: 4097  
Examiner: Bhatia, Ajay M.  
Title: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR NAMING  
HOSTS IN A DISTRIBUTED DATA  
PROCESSING SYSTEM**

**MAIL STOP – AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2008, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.